

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:	§	Attorney Docket No.: 31132.227/
Eisermann, Lukas	§	PC811.02
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Serial No.: 10/776,754	§	Group Art Unit: 3738
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Filed: February 11, 2004	§	Examiner: Schillinger, Ann M.
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For: DEVICE FOR FUSING TWO BONE SEGMENTS	§	Customer No.: 46333
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 8, 2006**

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the final Office action dated November 8, 2006.

No fees, including extension of time fees, are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any fees, including extension of time fees are necessary, the extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.